

City of Story City

504 Broad Street

Story City, Iowa 50248

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July 21, 2009

I-JOBS Board Iowa Finance Authority 2015 Grand Avenue Des Moines, Iowa 50312

Re:

River Bend Clubhouse

Dear I-JOBS Board:

The Story City City Council at its July 20, 2009, meeting approved this letter of support, funding commitment, and application for I-JOBS funding for the River Bend Clubhouse Project.

The River Bend Municipal Golf Course Clubhouse sustained heavy damage from the 2008 flood. This was the third time in the past 15 years that the clubhouse has sustained heavy flood damage.

The City needed to move expeditiously in the replacement of the clubhouse after the flood because of the significant loss of income and added expenses in temporary facilities. Therefore, the construction of the new clubhouse began in May and is scheduled to be completed in October.

The estimated cost of the River Bend Municipal Clubhouse Project is \$430,460 of which we are respectfully requesting \$322,845 from I-JOBS. In 2008, the City Council adopted a resolution with its intent to issue bonds for a new clubhouse.

Please contact the City should you have any questions or require additional information and the City thanks you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Peterson, Mayor

Kenneth Peterson

July 12, 2009

To whom it may concern:

Our community, Story City, is in the process of building a replacement clubhouse for our golf course. This is necessitated because of repeated flooding of the previous facility which resulted in rot and mildew. The golf course is an important piece in the city's planning for recreational activities that improve the quality of life for its citizens and for the citizens in the surrounding area. Obviously, the clubhouse is the center of activity at the golf course. This building will be built with the thought that other functions can be held there both during and after the regular golf season. This building is being built so that future flooding will not cause damage like it has in the past.

When businesses look at our progressive community they see a fitness center, swimming complex, new library, community center, excellent park system, a first class school and well maintained golf course with an attractive, functional club house. These are items that have encouraged businesses to locate here and improve our economy. This creates new jobs and maintains old ones. Thirty per cent of our season ticket holders live outside of Story City. We have players that come from as far away as California. Without the clubhouse the course would probably revert back to marsh and become a mosquito haven.

As a physician I feel that exercise and fitness need to be encouraged among the American people to help combat obesity and cardiovascular disease. Golf is a form of exercise that can carried on into one's later years of life. Story City has also recognized this as evidenced by the other healthful activities it provides.

Any assistance that our State and Federal governments can give in helping the people of this area reach our goal is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Charles E Semler, MD

River Bend Golf Course, Ltd, Chairman

EXHIBIT 6

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July 1, 2009

I-Jobs Grant Application



The Senate

State of Iowa
Eighty-second General Assembly
STATEHOUSE
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am sending this letter to show my very strong support for the Riverbend Clubhouse Project. Being an avid golfer and member of the golf committee for this course, it has been more than distressing to watch it be flooded three times in the past 15 years. The clubhouse that was built in the 1970's is being demolished and a new one constructed with raised floors to avoid future flooding issues.

This course and new club house is very important to Story City for a number or reasons. It improves the quality of life and encourages economic development. Approximately 30 jobs are created as result of the construction as well as the employees hired at the course. The economic draw of 20,000 rounds played annually with around half of those coming from other communities is substantial to the area. Having a local golf course for the local High School golf team provides wonderful competition and recreation as well as draws in surrounding students.

I would greatly appreciate your strong consideration of this grant application. Thank you.

Sincerety,

Senator Rich Olive, Senate District #5



June 29, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Story City Greater Chamber, I would like to express my support for the City of Story City I-Jobs application for the River Bend Clubhouse project. Originally built in the 1970s, this clubhouse has experienced several floods, most recently and most devastating was the flooding that occurred in June 2008. This last flood left the building completely unusable and it was recently demolished.

The plan is for the City to build a new clubhouse, raising it above the flood plain. This project will create approximately 30 construction jobs and help retain the many full and part-time jobs at the course. This golf course is a vital part of the community's quality of life, as well providing an important addition to Story City's other wonderful offerings that draw visitors from outside the area.

Being able to offer recreational activities such as golf not only makes Story City viable to attract new residents, but also new businesses and industry as well. In addition, the golf course is utilized by many of our organizations and businesses, including the GCC, for fundraising and networking events. It is imperative that Story City be able to build a new golf course clubhouse in order to keep our course open.

We appreciate your support of our River Bend Clubhouse project.

Sincerely,

Carolyn S. Honeycutt

Director